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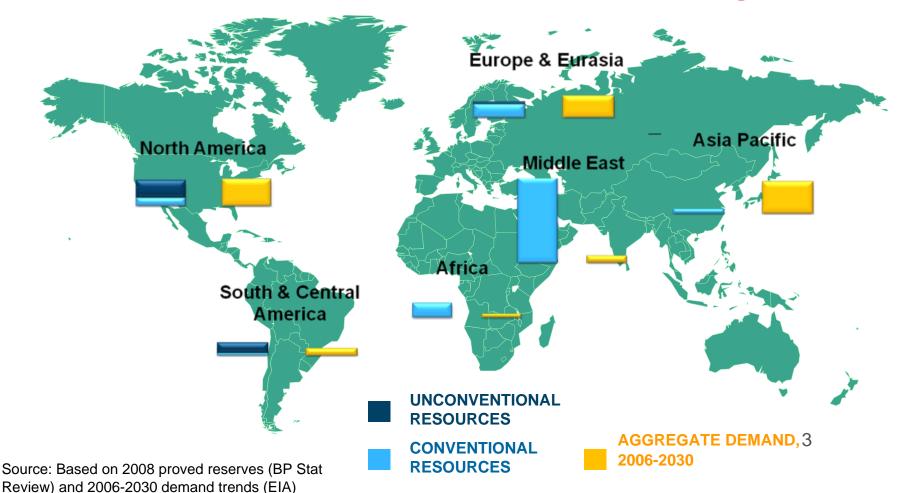
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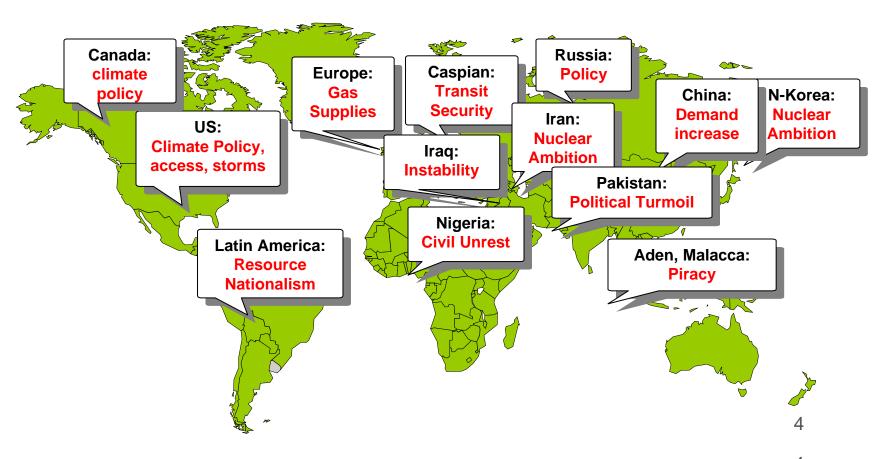
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- Technology Developments
- NOCs & IOCs
- Game Changers
 - Climate
 - Natural Gas

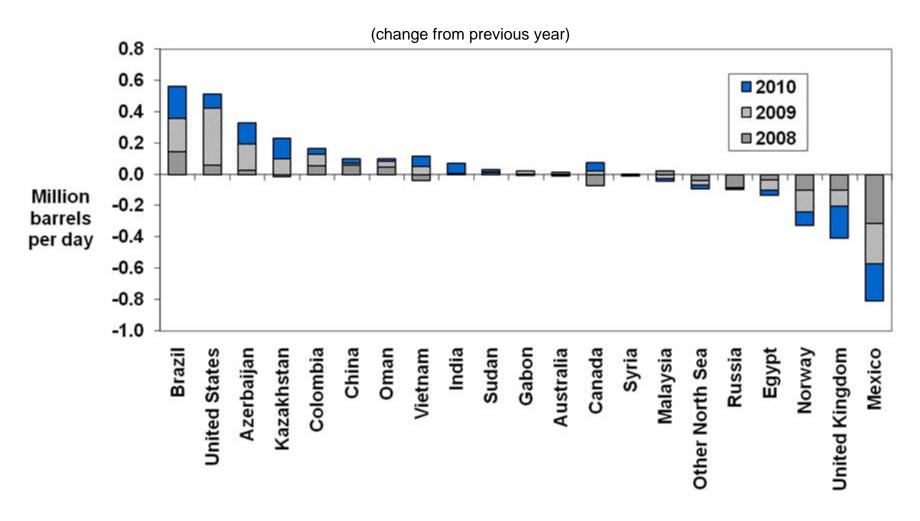
Beyond Peak Oil: Global Resource Endowment is enormous, but conventional distribution is uneven and unconventionals have environmental challenges



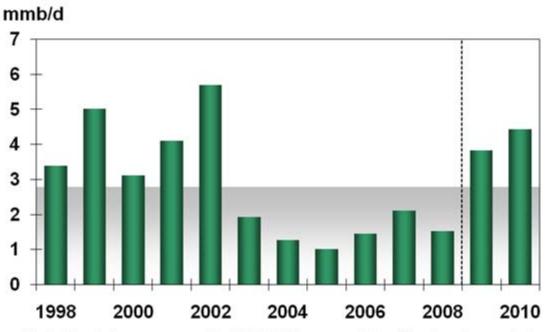
Geopolitical & governance risks are accumulating



Non-OPEC Oil Production Looks Flat

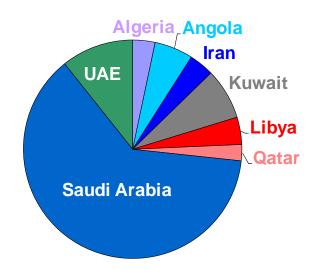


OPEC Surplus Production Capacity

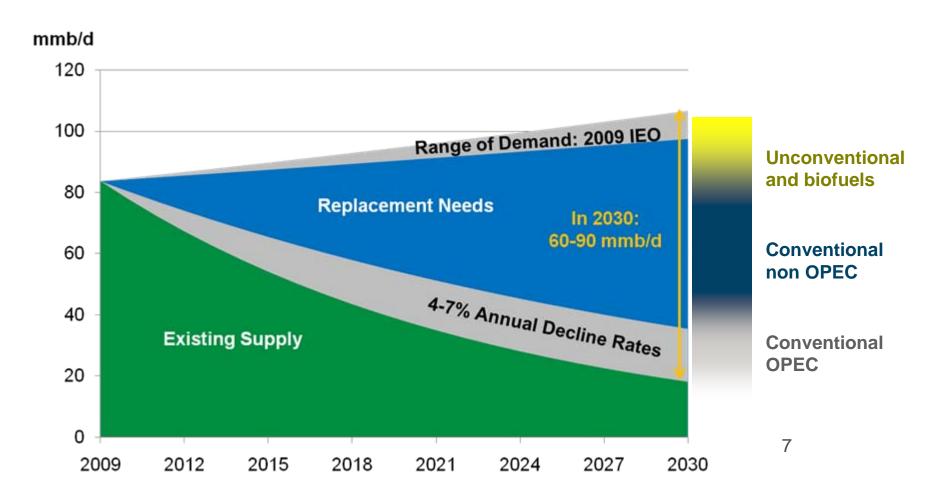


Note: Shaded area represents 1998-2008 average (2.8 million barrels per day)

Surplus Capacity, by Country Total Current (est.): 5.5 mmb/d

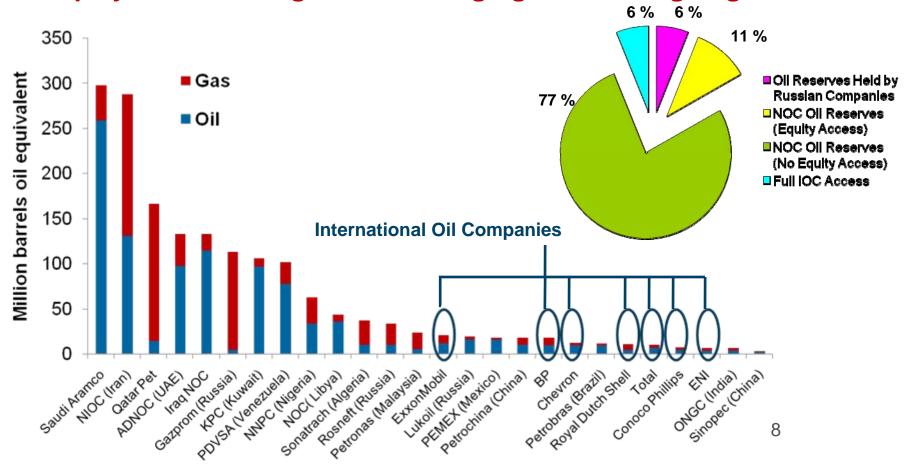


Replacing Global Liquids Supply Will Be Challenging



Source: CSIS, EIA

15 of the Top 20 Largest Oil Companies are NOCs; NOCs control 80-90% of conventional oil and gas reserves; Will play an increasing role in managing resources going forward



All NOCs are NOT alike, but they share certain priorities and objectives:

- Agents of host governments
- Protectors of the National Resource Patrimony
- Source of Revenues needed to fund other programs
- Responsible for Social development & infrastructure
- Role in International relations
- Stakeholders are Political
- Management practices, operating standards and agendas different from IOCs

A Word on Technology Advancements

- Better diagnostics, intelligent wells
- GeoSteering
- Improved reservoir simulation
- Pre-salt experience
- Maximum Reservoir Contact Wells
- Sub-sea completions
- Rez "Bots"
- Horizontal drilling (shales)

Bottom Line: Significant new discoveries (BB fields), improved accessibility & increased recovery rates

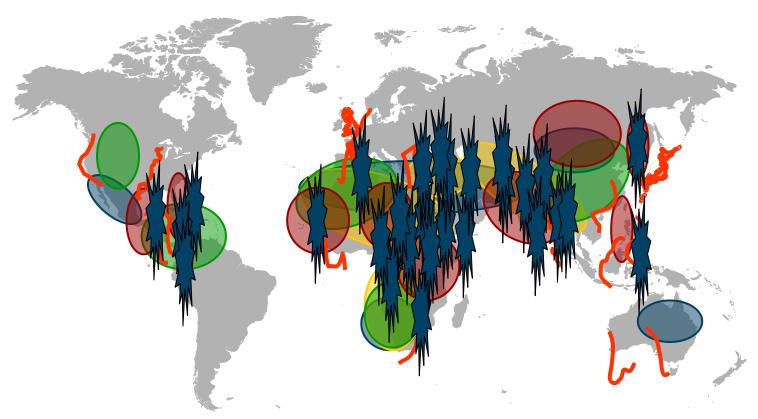
Game Changers

- Climate Change and Regulation of Carbon & GHG Emissions
- Exploitation of Unconventional Shale Gas Reserves

Climate Change as a Game Changer

- Affects supply & demand
- Alters fuels choices, increases prices
- In the extreme, raises security concerns
- New investment & technologies applied on a global scale
- Implications of a fractured vs. unified response
- Concept of "Sustainable Development" challenges traditional view of economic prosperity
- Requires long-term global policy solutions and tradeoff balances

Climate Change as a Threat Multiplier









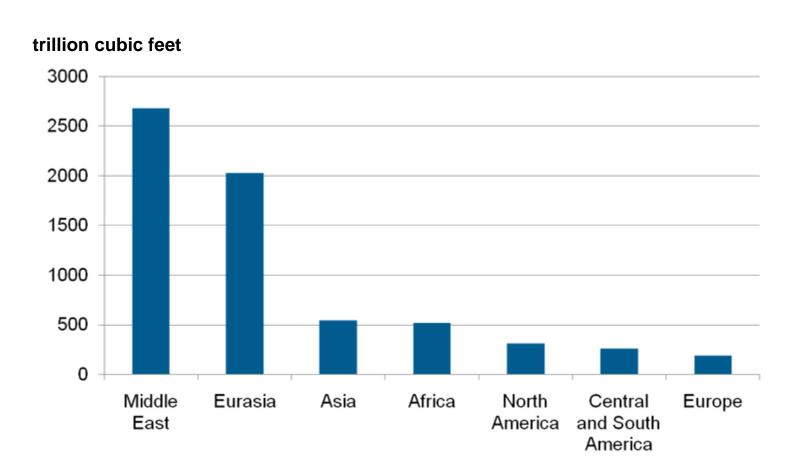






Coastal Risks Recent Conflicts

Conventional Global Natural Gas Reserves

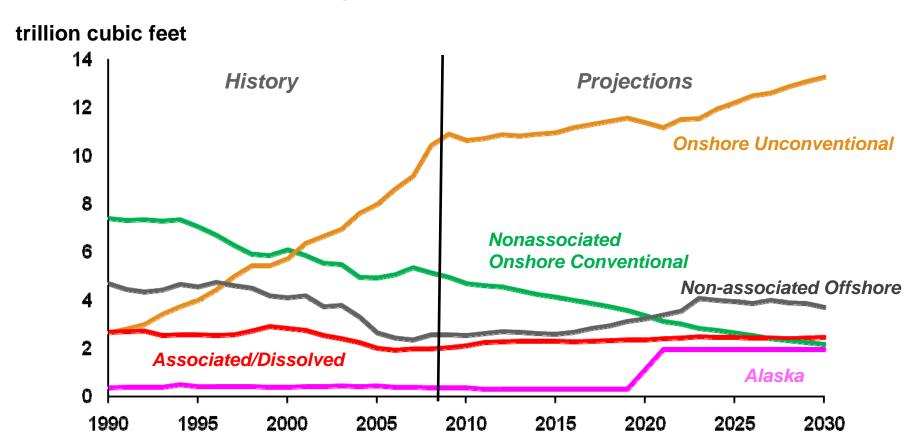


Source: BP Statistical Review 2009

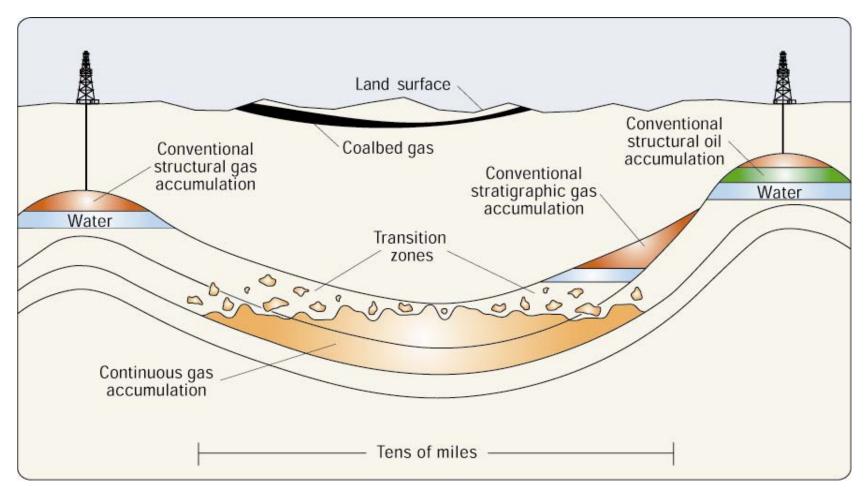
Global Gas Supply Dilemma

- Global gas demand to grow, especially in a carbon constrained world
- Conventional supply sources become more concentrated geographically
- Concentration can affect leverage, supply and prices, geopolitics, etc.
- Delivery system under greater stress
- Price rise + increased import dependence recreates balance of payments concerns

What's New?: Substantial growth in U.S. natural gas production through 2030 led by unconventionals...



Conventional vs. Continuous Resources



Source: USGS

Game-Changing Potential: Estimates of US Shale Gas Resources

EIA Annual Energy Outlook 2009: **267 tcf** undiscovered technically recoverable shale gas resources (mean)

Based on 2007 U.S. Geological Survey assessment and 2006 Mineral Management Service data

Navigant Consulting Inc. 2008: 274 tcf undiscovered technically recoverable shale gas resources (mean)

Based on aggregated data from numerous studies

Navigant Producer Reports 2008: up to 842 tcf undiscovered technically recoverable shale gas resources (max reported)

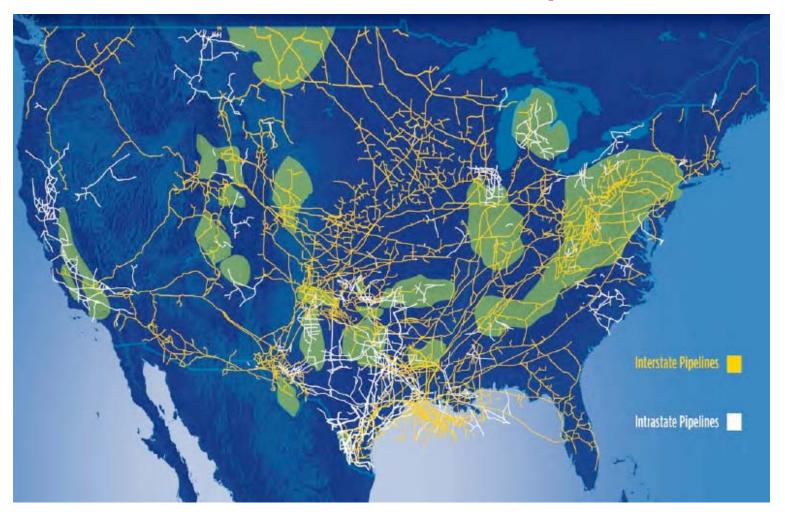
Ascertained by Navigant in 2008 study (accounts for Marcellus and Haynesville)

Potential Gas Committee 2009: 616 tcf undiscovered technically recoverable shale gas resources (mean)

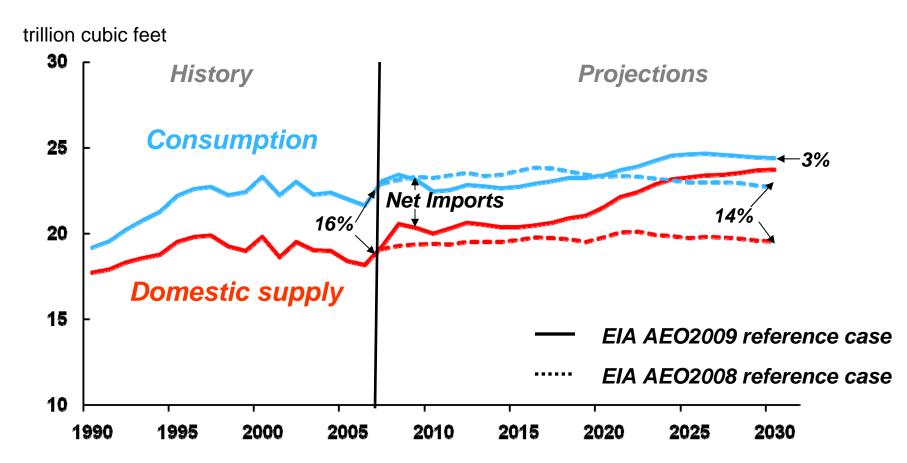
Estimated total U.S. gas resources of 2,074 tcf (mean undiscovered tech recoverable + reserves)



Shale Resources and Natural Gas Pipeline Network

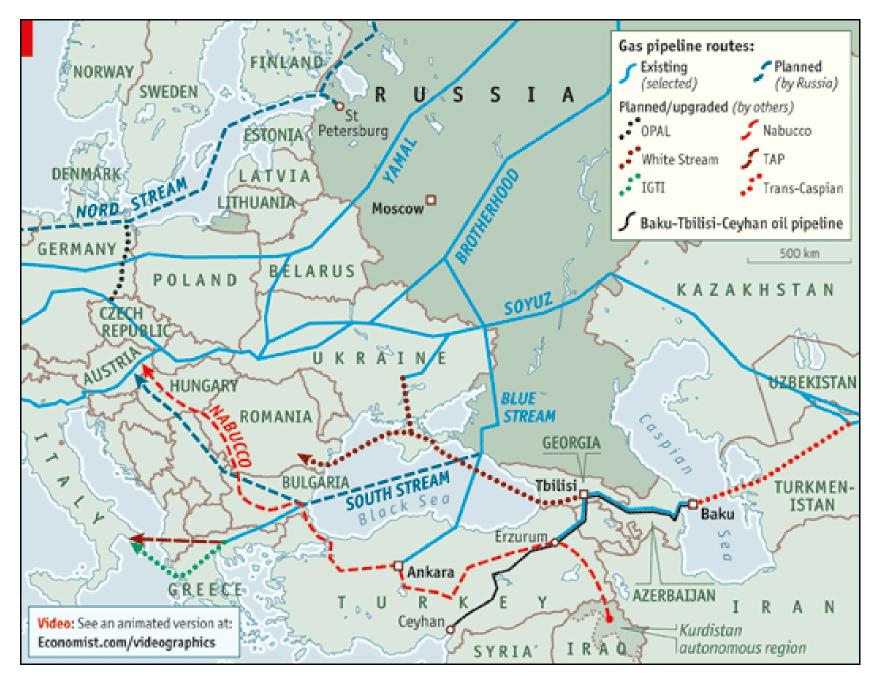


New US Domestic resources mean less imports (pipeline gas and LNG) and more supply choices for the world!



Implications of Global Shale Gas Exploitation

- Development of US shale formations would free up LNG for use elsewhere
- Significant shale prospects likely in China, Turkey, Australia and Europe
- Development of indigenous gas sources, coupled with LNG, efficiency, renewables and interconnects could reduce EU reliance on Russian gas
- Global gas surplus could revamp price/contract structures



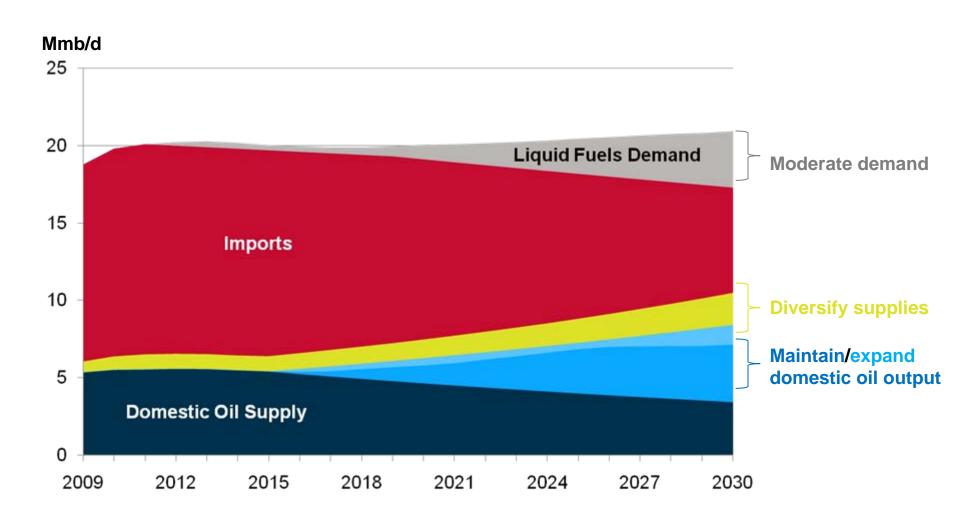
BUT ...realizing the full promise of shale resources is not a certainty and US domestic policy is important! Technical/Economic Challenges

- All shales are not alike; application of drilling/reservoir fracturing technology & operational experience matters
- Steep decline rates require ongoing investment and drilling; and repeated fracturing
- Up front investment (lease acreage and pilot wells) not insignificant vs. cost basis relative to commodity price/value

Environmental/Regulatory/Societal Challenges

- Uncertain regulation (hydraulic fracturing, water, land use, permits), "industrialization" of areas unfamiliar with development plans and associated impacts
- Location, location shale resources are, at times, proximate to and distant from delivery infrastructure and demand centers – both present problems

Strategies to Enhance Oil U.S. Security Count



Source: EIA Reference Case / NPC Global Oil and Gas study survey.

Policy Model

